

JOHN KERRY TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING, AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
FEDERAL FUNDING REQUESTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011

Potential Recipient: Associated Early Care and Education

Location: Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts

Purpose: Child and Family Development Center, MA

Request: \$1 million

Project Description: The requested funding would help pay for the construction of a one-stop child and family development center, incorporating social services and economic self-sufficiency and security opportunities to serve at-risk, low-income young children and families.

Potential Recipient: Berkshire Theater Festival

Location: Stockbridge, Massachusetts

Purpose: Berkshire Theater Festival Improvements, MA

Request: \$250,000

Project Description: The requested funding would be used to make the campus safer, more user-friendly, and more attractive for patrons. The plan calls for improved access from public highways, improved and expanded guest parking areas, especially in the realm of handicapped parking, and the revitalization of the campus grounds through plantings of native trees, flowers and shrubbery.

Potential Recipient: City of Boston

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

Purpose: Boston On-Road Bike Network, MA

Request: \$2 million

Project Description: The requested funding would be used for the design of on-road facilities. The Boston Bikes initiative is an integral component of the City's transportation, health, environment and economic initiatives.

Potential Recipient: City of Boston

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

Purpose: Northern Avenue Bridge Rehabilitation, MA

Request: \$3 million

Project Description: The requested funding would go toward the design, engineering and permitting of a comprehensive rehabilitation of the Northern Avenue Bridge to prevent further degradation and development of public safety concerns.

Potential Recipient: City of Boston and Boston University

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

Purpose: Commonwealth Avenue Phase 2 Improvement Plan, MA

Request: \$1.8 million

Project Description: The requested funds will help improve a major multimodal arterial of regional significance that will provide lasting transportation, safety and aesthetic benefits to the City of Boston, Town of Brookline and City of Cambridge building upon similar improvements of the recently completed Commonwealth Avenue Phase One Improvement Plan.

Potential Recipient: Boston Department of Transportation

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

Purpose: Design and Reconstruction of the North Washington Street Bridge, MA

Request: \$4 million

Project Description: The requested funds would be used for the reconstruction of the North Washington Bridge. This will eliminate structural deficiencies, load posting, and functional obsolescence while preserving portions of the visual character of this historic bridge on the Hazardous Materials Route through Boston, Massachusetts.

Potential Recipient: Boston Department of Transportation

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

Purpose: Design of Realignment of Northern Avenue with Utilities Re-Location, MA

Request: \$2.74 million

Project Description: The requested funds would pay for the design of the realignment of Northern Ave. Northern Avenue and Seaport Boulevard provide the main truck access from the Port of Boston to points north throughout the region. The roadway provides access to the John Joseph Moakley Federal Courthouse, Institute of Contemporary Art, Harborwalk, and future developments.

Potential Recipient: Boston Department of Transportation

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

Purpose: Design of Rutherford Avenue/Sullivan Square, MA

Request: \$5 million

Project Description: The requested funding would be used for the final design for the Rutherford Avenue corridor in Boston to provide multi-modal transportation connections and environmental and economic development benefits to surrounding communities.

Potential Recipient: Boston Department of Transportation

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

Purpose: Traffic Signal Design and Construction, MA

Request: \$3.356 million

Project Description: The proposed new traffic signals and upgrades to existing signals are at 18 intersections along heavily traveled City of Boston roadways enabling vehicles and pedestrians to traverse the intersections efficiently and safely. The goals of this project are to improve public safety for all users, pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists at congested intersections around the City as well as correct ADA deficiencies, improve traffic flow and reduce congestion.

Potential Recipient: The Boston Foundation

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

Purpose: Foreclosure Community Safety Initiative, MA

Request: \$350,000

Project Description: The requested funding would support community-based organizations working in partnership with the Boston Police Department and the City of Boston Foreclosure Intervention Team to combat crime in neighborhoods heavily impacted by foreclosures through resident organizing, property redevelopment and targeted enforcement.

Potential Recipient: Boston Harbor Island Alliance

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

Purpose: Boston Harbor Islands Transportation Improvements, MA

Request: \$5.4 million

Project Description: The requested funding would be used to purchase one large and three small ferry boats. These boats would increase the frequency and availability of public access to the islands, as well as reduce the public's cost for access.

Potential Recipient: Cambridge Community Center, Inc.

Location: Cambridge, Massachusetts

Purpose: Community Center Building Renovation and Improvements, MA

Request: \$2 million

Project Description: The requested funds would be used toward renovation and additions to the 81-year-old community center, which serves low-income children and families in Cambridge, MA. This would allow for the addition of infant/toddler care to the existing afterschool program, making the building completely handicapped-accessible, and increasing the amount of flexible meeting and activity space accessible to community groups and organizations.

Potential Recipient: Cambridge Redevelopment Authority

Location: Cambridge, Massachusetts

Purpose: Innovation Boulevard Project at Kendall Square, MA

Request: \$2.5 million

Project Description: The requested funding will help provide the local area residents and the local work force with convenient access to open space facilities. The intent of the project is to create a people friendly linear park that will be put into some form of land preservation trust and maintained by the abutters/users after the improvements are installed.

Potential Recipient: City of Chicopee

Location: Chicopee, Massachusetts

Purpose: Chicopee Community and Senior Center Development

Request: \$5 million

Project Description: The requested funds would be used to construct a full-service community and senior center as part of a City redevelopment project.

Potential Recipient: Ellis Memorial & Eldredge House

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

Purpose: Renovation of Community Social Service Facilities, MA

Request: \$1 million

Project Description: The requested funding would go toward the renovation of 2 historic buildings for the expansion of childcare and adult day health programs as well as to establish an after school program for teens.

Potential Recipient: Essex National Heritage Commission

Location: Salem, Massachusetts

Purpose: Bakers Island Light Station Dock, MA

Request: \$1.955 million

Project Description: The requested funds would be used to design, permit and reconstruct a dock at the former U.S. Coast Guard Bakers Island Light Station for the purposes of providing public access to the site and bringing supplies to preserve and rehabilitate the historic structures. historic structures. At present, the only way to access the site is by landing a boat on the beach.

Potential Recipient: Framingham State College

Location: Framingham, Massachusetts

Purpose: Framingham Roadway Safety Improvements, MA

Request: \$480,000

Project Description: The requested funding would be used to add public safety and operational improvements to the portion of the scenic-designated roadway that passes through the campus including raised pedestrian crosswalks, new and widened sidewalks, new lighting, accessibility upgrades, and campus entrance enhancements. This project would be an addition to an ongoing Town of Framingham funded roadway repair and water distribution and collection system improvements project.

Potential Recipient: Hebrew SeniorLife (HSL)

Location: Brookline, Massachusetts

Purpose: Improvements for Low Income Senior Housing Facilities, MA

Request: \$1,190,000

Project Description: The requested funding would be used to make emergency stabilization repairs and provide much needed renovations to 2 low-income housing facilities.

Potential Recipient: Holyoke Community College

Location: Holyoke, Massachusetts

Purpose: Downtown Holyoke Community and Education Center Development, MA

Request: \$310,000

Project Description: This project is designed to create a one-stop education, social service, and training center in downtown Holyoke to provide low-income and disadvantaged residents with the opportunities they need to improve their lives and those of their families. It is a partnership between Holyoke Community College and the City that will also restore an underutilized downtown building and attract people to the city's downtown area.

Potential Recipient: Lesley University

Location: Cambridge, Massachusetts

Purpose: Porter Square Revitalization, MA

Request: \$5 million

Project Description: The requested funding would be used to move the Art Institute of Boston to Porter Square, ultimately providing the Square with a new focal point – one centered on the creation, making and sharing of art, one that invites discovery and exploration, and one that attracts attention to Porter Square as among the most unique urban centers in all of Greater Boston.

Potential Recipient: Lowell National Historical Park

Location: Lowell, Massachusetts

Purpose: Lowell Canalway/Riverwalk Urban Greenway, MA

Request: \$1 million

Project Description: The requested funds will support the development of the 'Mile of Mills' Riverwalk from its current terminus at the historic Boott Mills complex to the Concord River and Lower Locks area and development of the Lowell Canalway, a linear park and walkway along Lowell's 5.6-mile historic power canal system. The extended Riverwalk will provide connections to historic and cultural resources located within the Lowell National Historical Park.

Potential Recipient: Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA)

Location: Newton, Massachusetts

Purpose: Commonwealth Ave/Green Line MBTA Intermodal Improvements, MA

Request: \$1.5 Million

Project Description: The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) is in the process of completing its program of providing a transit system that is compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Boston College Station has been designated as one of the program's key stations under the Light Rail Accessibility Program (LRAP). This project includes relocating the existing station platform and shelter from the City of Newton to the City of Boston and constructing one center platform in the middle of Commonwealth Avenue near the Lake Street intersection installing a shelter, lighting, tactile edging and pedestrian crossing. It includes a number of design objectives that not only meet the needs of riders with disabilities, but also provides functional and esthetic improvements for all transit passengers.

Potential Recipient: Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA)

Location: Somerville, Massachusetts

Purpose: Assembly Square Station, MA

Request: \$2 million

Project Description: The requested funding would go towards the construction of a new transit station at Assembly Square.

Potential Recipient: Massachusetts Department of Transportation

Location: New Bedford, Massachusetts

Purpose: New Bedford Fast Track Freight Bridges, MA

Request: \$1,360,000

Project Description: Funding would be used to construct the replacement of three deteriorating railroad bridges over Deane Street, Sawyer Street, and Coggeshall Street in New Bedford, MA. Currently these bridges limit the loads of trains serving industries in the waterfront area they serve and constrain access from the west on the roadways passing beneath them to re-developable sites east of the rail alignment.

Potential Recipient: Massachusetts Cultural Council

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

Purpose: Massachusetts Cultural Facilities Fund

Request: \$1 million

Project Description: The requested funding would support a State run capital grant program for nonprofit cultural organizations.

Potential Recipient: Massachusetts Port Authority

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

Purpose: Hybrid Demonstration Fuel Cell Buses, MA

Request: \$2.5 million

Project Description: The requested funding would be used to purchase two Hybrid Fuel Cell buses for use at Logan International Airport.

Potential Recipient: Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority

Location: Haverhill, Massachusetts

Purpose: Haverhill Intermodal Transit Parking Facility, MA

Request: \$1 Million

Project Description: The requested funds would provide for a 285 car capacity parking facility adjacent to the present Commuter Rail Station in downtown Haverhill. This parking facility will provide much needed expansion parking for commuter rail use and provide nights/weekends parking in support of ongoing residential development in the downtown section of Haverhill.

Potential Recipient: Middlesex Community College

Location: Lowell, Massachusetts

Purpose: Downtown Lowell Historic Building Redevelopment, MA

Request: \$550,000

Project Description: The requested funding would be used for the design of performing arts space, academic classroom development, and community access space at the historic Rialto building in downtown Lowell, Massachusetts.

Potential Recipient: Montachusett Regional Transit Authority

Location: Ayer, Massachusetts

Purpose: Ayer Commuter Parking Improvements, MA

Request: \$1 Million

Project Description: The requested funding would be used to increase parking capacity by the commuter rail station, located in the heart of the Historic District of Ayer.

Potential Recipient: Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries

Location: Roxbury, Massachusetts

Purpose: Renovations to Goodwill Headquarters, MA

Request: \$1 million

Project Description: The requested funding would be used to make comprehensive repairs, renovations and replace the roof at Goodwill's Roxbury Headquarters Building.

Potential Recipient: City of Newburyport

Location: Newburyport, Massachusetts

Purpose: Newburyport Downtown Redevelopment Project, MA

Request: \$1 million

Project Description: The requested funding would support the development of the waterfront area. By creating green spaces and providing transportation improvements the City will be connecting the business district to the waterfront.

Potential Recipient: City of Newburyport

Location: Newburyport, Massachusetts

Purpose: Newburyport Mixed Use Intermodal Parking Facility, MA

Request: \$2 million

Project Description: The requested funds would provide much needed off-street parking downtown and also serve the Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority bus system and create shuttle and bikeway connections to Newburyport's well-utilized Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority Commuter Rail Station.

Potential Recipient: The Planning Office for Urban Affairs

Location: Salem, Massachusetts

Purpose: Salem Housing and Community Development, MA

Request: \$1.5 million

Project Description: The requested funding would support a new development that will include approximately 65 units of affordable housing, and 19,200 square feet of community and retail space. It will also include the preservation of two historic structures and open space.

Potential Recipient: City of Quincy

Location: Quincy, Massachusetts

Purpose: Quincy Center Redevelopment, MA

Request: \$2 million

Project Description: The requested funding would be used for infrastructure upgrades downtown and along access corridors. This is part of a larger redevelopment project to revitalize Downtown Quincy's economy.

Potential Recipient: City of Springfield

Location: Springfield, Massachusetts

Purpose: Downtown Springfield Economic Redevelopment, MA

Request: \$1 million

Project Description: The requested funds would be used to upgrade a number of buildings in downtown Springfield including the William C. Sullivan Visitor's Information Center. This investment would promote economic development by promoting all regional tourist events and attractions, attract private investment and support small businesses.

Potential Recipient: The Steamship Authority

Location: Woods Hole, Massachusetts

Purpose: Vessel and Terminal Sewage Pump-out Systems Installation, MA

Request: \$2 million

Project Description: The requested funds would pay for a portion of the cost to retrofit boats and terminals to comply with this designation. The proposed work will provide long-term benefits for the region by eliminating the discharge of treated vessel sewage and improve the surrounding living and working environments

Potential Recipient: United Teen Equality Center (UTEC)

Location: Lowell, Massachusetts

Purpose: New Youth Center Building Project, MA

Request: \$1 million

Project Description: The requested funds would be used for the construction of a 7,500 square foot addition to UTEC's historic building in downtown Lowell, as well as final renovations to the existing building. The new building will include a new commercial kitchen and café open to the community on the first floor, a performance center on the second floor including audio and video production, and new classrooms for our alternative education programs on the third floor.

Potential Recipient: University of Massachusetts Dartmouth and the New Bedford Regional Airport

Location: New Bedford and Fall River, Massachusetts

Purpose: Establishing Economic, Green Sustainable Pavement Strategies for Airport Ramps and Aprons, MA

Request: \$1 million

Project Description: The requested funds would be used to construct the various pavement strategies side-by-side so that they can be evaluated over time to identify the optimum approach for airports considering cost (construction and maintenance), environmental impact, and ease/practicality of maintenance.

Potential Recipient: YWCA Southeastern Massachusetts, Inc.

Location: New Bedford, Massachusetts

Purpose: Community Center and Women's Housing Facility Expansion, MA

Request: \$475,000

Project Description: The YWCA seeks to construct a 12,000 square foot building addition in order to consolidate its offsite childcare and women's transitional residency programs into a safe, nurturing and financially stable operation. With demand for its human service programs increasing, the YWCA must relocate these programs from existing leased facilities in poor condition and in high-crime areas to its historic Levi Standish House which will become a barrier-free, center-city campus.